

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Number : 10/538,918 Confirmation No.: TBA  
First Named Inventor : John E. HANSEN et al.  
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Title : GELATINE-BASED MATERIALS AS SWABS  
TC/Art Unit : TBA  
Examiner: TBA  
  
Docket No. : 59486.000007  
Customer No. : 21967

**SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF NOTIFICATION OF  
MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

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Sir:

Applicants wish to file the executed Declaration prior to the receipt of the Notification Of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 In The United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US).

Applicants submit herewith an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and a check in the amount of \$130.00 for the late declaration surcharge.

However, in the event that any additional fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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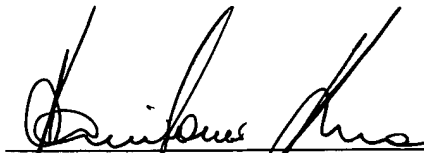
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Respectfully submitted,

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